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## THE GREATEST OF ALL AMERICANS?

Lincoln day this year,—the 100th anniversary of the birth of the great war president,—is going to be celebrated all over the Union on a greater scale than ever before, and will result in some permanent memorials. The city of Washington is considering various suggestions of a memorial to be comparable in impressiveness, permanence and dignity with the Washington monument. The birthdays of the two men come near together and perhaps the larger celebration of Lincoln day this year will lessen somewhat the Washington observances. Honolulu is very properly going to join with the rest of the nation in special honor to Lincoln, who is by many regarded as the greatest of all Americans. In this connection, there is in the last North American review an article in which W. D. Howells gives the three greatest names of the last century as Napoleon, Lincoln and Tolstoy,—a classification calculated to startle many. "There are Napoleon and there are Lincoln, and then there was Tolstoy in an order which time may change," he says, "though it appears to me certain that time will not change the number of these supreme names."

"Since I have set them down here they have suggested to me a sort of representative unity in their relation to one another. If you fancy Napoleon the incarnation of the selfish force which inspired and supported his own triumphant enemies in their reaction against progress; if you suppose Lincoln the type of humanity struggling toward the ideal in the regeneration of the world's polity, you may well conceive of Tolstoy as the soul's criticism of the evil and the good which, however wholly or partially they knew it, the others imperfectly did. The work of Lincoln was no more final than the work of Napoleon; and like Napoleon's and like Lincoln's, Tolstoy's work has been without finality. So far as I can perceive, it has even been without effect in a civilization which calls itself Christian, but which has apparently been no more moved by human soul as it was in Tolstoy than by the divine spirit as it was in Christ. At first, indeed, the work was startled by the spectacle of a man of the highest rank, of a most ancient lineage, of great wealth, of renown in arms and in letters, putting from him fame and ease and honor, and proposing literally to obey the word of God, by making himself as one of the least of the brethren of Christ. It was a very curious sight, a bit droll, rather mad, wholly extraordinary. The world could hardly believe its eyes. It rubbed the sleep of two thousand years out of them at the sound of this voice crying in the wilderness, this voice that had so charmed it in fable, and bidding it prepare the way of the Lord and make His paths straight. Some tears came into its eyes, and some smiles; but after a while its lids fell again, and all was as before. The event, one of the greatest in the history of mankind, has been without perceptible effect in civilization."

## JAPANESE IN OUR CELEBRATION.

We take pleasure in reprinting the following editorial from the English section of the Hawaii Shimpo:

The English speaking people of this community are now preparing to celebrate the birthday anniversaries of two great men, men whose lives have had their influence not only on America, but on the world at large—Washington, the great leader in a great struggle for political freedom for his people, and Lincoln, the great leader of a cause for the freedom of a race held in bondage by others of his own people. The one fought for freedom from tyrants abroad, the other led the struggle for freedom at home, and both won their fights. The example of Washington has been an inspiration to liberty loving people of all nations, of races and colors; the stand of Lincoln has been the inspiration of the leaders of the people in all countries, leaders in the struggles against the tyranny of class. In the celebrations and in the future we will not be the next month, the Japanese of Honolulu are willing and anxious to participate. Both Washington and Lincoln belong to Japan as they belong to the world, public movements.

Nothing can exceed the energy, generosity, courtesy and enterprise with which Japanese do their part in celebrations of this sort, and the spirit of their character is in sympathy with the great traits which made Lincoln and Washington heroes to all the world. Honolulu will be the gainer from joining them with the citizen community in such celebrations.

## NO NEED TO BLAME THE WHOLE NATION.

It is true that Japanese laws do not encourage the foreigner to settle there, and do not permit him to buy land, but they are laws which apply to all alike. What California is trying to do is to embarrass the Japanese only and leave the European foreigner in the full enjoyment of his treaty rights. There is where the danger lies.—Advertiser.

The California laws proposed, if they pass, will apply impartially to all aliens. If they didn't the federal courts would knock them out. It has before been shown that the interests of the Japanese are safe with the United States government. What they should bear in mind is that California is but a single state among 46 and that, so firm is the general government in its stand for the rights of the Japanese and to retain their friendship, within recent time there have been hints that actually threaten the great State of California with a suspension of its constitution,—a period of martial law,—to prevent that state from unfairness to alien Japanese. This sounds like undertaking an American civil war to maintain the rights of Japanese. Our Japanese friends should give less attention to the talk in one or two noisy and troublesome states and more to the real friendship of the forty other. And, at the same time, as noted yesterday, they

should remember that if California tries legally to preserve her soil and industries for her own citizens, she is doing only what Japan does at home, while if California tries it illegally, or in opposition to a treaty, Washington, as has been already demonstrated, will intervene.

Perhaps somebody gave some news to an evening newspaper man under the impression that he was on the Advertiser as a result of a natural conclusion that, being on the Advertiser, he was badly in need of it.

Apparently the reorganized police under Sheriff Jarrett has not yet awakened to the fact that an automobile ordinance exists. The Star has received a complaint that many automobiles are running without displaying their numbers as prescribed. Unlawful speeding is notorious and unchecked.

As it is reported that some news has been collected for other papers by people representing themselves as from this journal, the following list of authorized staff writers for the Advertiser is published. (List.)—Notice signed by the editor in today's Advertiser.

This is too good, seeing that the Advertiser, at very frequent intervals, engages reporters on the evening papers to cover regular as well as special news details for itself. Often these engagements have run for months at a time and The Star has sometimes been compelled to stop the arrangement with members of its staff because no reporter could long stand day and night work in succession without deteriorating in efficiency.

It is not at all necessary for the Star to deny the absurd charge that it wants to "drag" Judge Andrade into appointing Crawford interpreter if the judge has any preferable candidate. We merely called attention to a situation which was preventing any appointment at all. If the Advertiser could for a day raise its political thoughts above the che fa and yellow dogs, it might see the same practical dilemma that every lawyer and judge in the community sees. The circuit judges constantly use Crawford as interpreter and it has been currently reported for days that the district magistrate wanted him, but was afraid to appoint him because he had incurred the political enmity of the Advertiser. We merely took occasion to call attention to this outrageous state of affairs, fully realizing in advance that it meant the usual morning drivel about yellow dogs or che fa. As for supporting Crawford, when he was proposed for the legislature, this paper said that such candidacy was a scandal and we still think so. But when Crawford is proposed for Chinese interpreter the proposition is a very different one. He has acted in the local courts for ten years and after this ten years' observation of his work, the judges of the circuit court here find him the best man they can get for the job.

Governor Frear is up against the painful task of economizing and is entitled to look out for trouble.

## INFECTED MILK KILLS OFF BABES

SACRAMENTO, December 24.—In California steps have been taken to prevent the destruction of adult lives through infection from tuberculosis of dairy animals and milk, but practically none have been taken to prevent the killing off of hundreds of infants annually by the feeding to them of foods from unsanitary and tubercular infected dairies. There are local laws to regulate neighboring dairies, but nothing to prevent dairymen from shipping in their unhealthy product from dairies that are not inspected.

These and some other startling observations are made by Dr. Charles F. Keane, the State Veterinarian. In his annual report, which was submitted to Governor Gillett today.

Dr. Keane says that if the movement to exterminate bovine tuberculosis is to be conducted with any degree of success California must insist on its dairies being cleaned up. The dairies' interests must be educated up to a realization of the economic importance of the disease and that dairymen must be shown that it is unprofitable to harbor tuberculosis cows in a herd. Continuing, he says:

### HOGS MUCH INFECTED.

"The improvement of our milk supply has not only for its object the eradication of tuberculosis, but also the subject of cleanliness in dairies. It has been demonstrated that the commonest mode for the discharge of tubercle bacilli from the bodies of cows is from their faces. It is in this way that the disease is communicated to hogs, among which animals there has been an alarming increase of tuberculosis."

"It has also been demonstrated that the sediment taken from cream separators often contains bacilli, the milk coming from tubercular cows. Hogs are fed on this separator milk and if it is contaminated with the bacilli, they readily contract the disease. Hogs are peculiarly susceptible to the disease, and it is no uncommon thing for a considerable number of hogs to be condemned out of one shipment."

DISEASE IS COMMUNICABLE. Dr. Keane says that it is universally conceded that tuberculosis in man

and in cows is identical, thus disagreeing with a great German scientist, who disputed that theory. The only difference is in certain morphological characteristics of the tubercle bacilli. This difference does not prevent it, however, from being transmitted to human beings who drink infected milk.

A plea is made in the report for large appropriations for the work of the State Dairy Bureau. The bureau is not supplied with sufficient resources to properly control the work of sanitation. If the scope of the bureau could be enlarged there could be inspection of dairies to prevent them from being maintained in a more or less filthy condition.

### CORRAL MILKING CONDEMNED.

"The all-important matter of sufficient light, ventilation and drainage in the dairies is utterly neglected," the report says. "The matter of corral milking cannot be too strongly condemned. In order to cope with tuberculosis and exterminate it, it is essential that the environment of the cows should be regulated first. This can only be accomplished by adequate legislation and constant official supervision."

In the other departments of his work Dr. Keane says that his force, inadequate as it is, has been successful in fighting cattle, hog and sheep diseases particularly with respect to the cattle tick and sheep scab diseases. Glanders, he says, exists among the horses of several counties and as it is communicable to man he advocates special efforts to eradicate it.

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GEORGE TOURNAY, Secretary.

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